

Meeting Notes

Golden Gardens Bathhouse Renovation: Project Advisory Team Meeting November 21, 2002 6:30 to 8:00 PM, at Ballard Community Center

PRESENT: PAT members Margo Aspholm, Carolyn Wren Clark, Jeff Cleaveland, Bruce Drager, Fred Felleman, Lawrence (Larry) Jackson, Davidya Kasperzyk, Cindy Lantry, Vivian McKay, Jeffrey Stolsig; design team members Susan Boyle/BOLA, Matt Suhadolnik/SvR Design, and Linda Frkuska/SvR Design; Mark Johnson/Parks PM; Guests Brian Jackson/GG Teen Activity Coordinator, Patty Hinkle/GG Teen Activity organizer, Melinda Barlow/UW

Susan introduces Programming as an activity in the design process and presents the results of the prioritization of spaces/functions done last meeting. These have resulted in diagrammatic layout of the existing building footprint as follows:

Diagrams of Program Spaces:

- Big Room (multipurpose) with 4 storage closets for equipment to support different programs using the space.
- "Wet" End @ North, set up to provide space for educational programs and messy activities (marine biology, painting, set/backdrop construction for drama, etc)
- "Dry" End @ South with toilets, conference room, office, and food service areas. Concessions (300 sf) has been reconfigured to provide indoor eating space. Kitchen is about 300 sf, and is connected to rear of concession/serving area.

Ouestions for Parks:

- What items must be stored in the building for Parks operations?
- How does the "hub" or office work? Does it need a check-out counter? Where?
- Do we need to store clean fire wood for the wood sales program run by the teens that sells it to people wanting to build a legal beach fire?

PAT Comments:

- Jeff C: Concern about cost of moving fixtures; also moving restrooms to north end of building seems to move them further from the majority of park users. South end seems chopped up into small rooms--storage could be in lofts along corridor.
- Bruce D: Likes views to beach from lab in "L" scheme.
- Jeff S: Likes views to beach from lab in "L" scheme.
- Brian Jackson: It looks great! Want to be sure a temporary stage will work in the big room. Brian says 16' x 25' stage is what the teens are using now for music events.
- Margo A: Likes casework storage in the big space. Wonders about restroom location, but may be OK. Should be sure the kitchen can be used by caterer for rentals of the big room, not just for servicing the concession/café.

- Cindy L: Thinks the office doesn't work as a separate room. Need storage for equipment for the beach naturalist program. The "L" scheme seems better for tool storage location.
- Vivian McKay: Flip north functions (except toilets) to sound end and everything in the north wing except the kitchen to the north, and all relationships would be improved.
- Larry Jackson: Would it be possible to add a conservatory type addition to the front of the building so people can see in as well as out. This would give us more space and increase the rental value.
- Fred: Co-location of the interior toilets and the concessions makes sense. Add a shed saddle bag on the east side of the building for storage, perhaps.
- Davidya: Mezzanines in the big space--maybe with dormers looking out to the water—would be a great addition to the big room.

Landscape Site Development:

Matt Suhadolnik/SvR Design presented site development ideas:

- We want to define the service vehicle route; limiting other vehicle access. A boardwalk along east side of the building with a paved gathering space. Outdoor classroom on north side of building. The "raft" is a platform for sunbathing, picnicking, or performance. Land forms and planting on the east side would be native land forms and plants, consistent with George Hargreaves work.
- Larry Johnson: Wants to be sure that the basketball court is maintained. Could it be relocated?
- Davidya: Be sure to maintain volleyball courts on the beach. Could the basketball court be a full court layout in the eastern gathering space? It wouldn't be used all the time, and could share space with the outdoor terrace that forms a forecourt to the building on the east.
- Larry Jackson: We should look into obtaining VERA-project money for youth programs at the Bathhouse.
- Davidya: Likes the boardwalk idea, but would like an architectural beacon at the south end.

First Public Meeting Planning:

- We need to get articles in the newspapers; Fred will help with this. Remember, this is a regional facility.
- Put meeting into mid-January to avoid January 6, 2003.
- This should be publicized as a meeting to present a "draft" document, sketches, etc. per Fred.

Final Items:

- Susan will meet the Bruce Drager to see his lab.
- Susan will meet with Carolyn Clark to see vegetation, tools, etc.

Meeting Adjourned: 8 PM

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